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Caledonian's Straw Vote.

As announced elsewhere The Caledonian will try to take a straw vote among its readers on the presidency. It is moved to do this because there are so many conflicting claims about whom the people want for presidential candidates the coming season. If the readers of this paper will vote freely it will show whom the people in this section of the country really favor. The only danger is that the people will not take the trouble to make their sentiments known. As stated in the announcement we shall require each person voting to sign his name to the ballot, but the name of any voter of the way he votes will not be revealed. We want each person to feel free to express his choice and be free from any embarrassment in the future.

To prevent plural voting we shall publish the coupon only in this week's issue of the paper. This means that each owner of a copy of this week's issue will have the opportunity to cast one vote on the subject. We appeal to each reader to send us his vote so that he and his neighbors may have a very correct idea of how the people really stand on this important matter. You can certainly help in forming the sentiment of the people if you will fill out the coupon now and mail it to The Caledonian. Vote yourself and see that your neighbor votes, and make this effort to get at public sentiment a success.

In The Name of Religion.

Following is a brief account of a riot in the city of Haverhill, Mass., in which Thomas A. Leyden of Somerville was prevented from making an address in the city hall "on sectarian questions, particularly regarding state appropriations for sectarian schools."

The police managed to force the mob back and close the doors. With angry shouts the crowd began throwing stones and lumps of coal. Nearly every window in City Hall was partly broken. When it was found that the police were determined to keep the hall closed, portions of the crowd went to other parts of the city and attacked the residences of persons who had assisted in arranging for Leyden's address. They also made a target of the National club, where one of Leyden's friends had taken refuge. The damage done was confined almost entirely to the breaking of windows.

The local militia company, called out by Mayor Albert L. Bartlett to assist the police, surrounded the City Hall, cleared nearby streets and kept the mob at bay. After burning in front of the hall an effigy labelled "Free Speech" and expending the remainder of its energy in marching, singing and shouting, the crowd gradually dispersed.

This display of barbarism in an American city of the twentieth century was made in the name of religion. Can any more damaging statement against any religion or sect be made than this brutal outbreak of ferociousness by members of a religious sect. The burning of "Free Speech" in effigy shows the fear of this mob of free speech concerning their alleged religion and condemns it as no representative of any other sect could possibly do. We can only exclaim, What crimes are committed in thy name, Religion!

The Presidential Situation.

Theodore Roosevelt has declared his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination. In doing so he said in part:—

And more than that, don't you do it if you expect me to pussyfoot on any single issue I have raised. Don't be for me unless you are prepared to say that every citizen of this country has got to be pro-United States, first, last and all the time, and no pro-anything else at all, and that we stand for every good American, everywhere, whatever his birthplace or creed and wherever he now lives, and that in return we demand that he be an American and nothing else, with no hyphen about him.

Every American citizen must be for America first and for no other country even second, and he hasn't any right to be in the United States at all if he has any divided loyalty between this country and any other.

Don't you nominate me unless you are prepared to take the position that Uncle Sam is to be strong enough to defend his rights and to de-

fend every one of his people wherever those people are, and he can't be strong enough unless he prepares in advance.

I am not for war. On the contrary I abhor an unjust or a wanton war, and I would use every honorable expedient to avoid even a just war. But I feel with all my heart that you don't in the long run, avoid war by making other people believe you are afraid to fight for your own rights.

The same day Roosevelt made these statements The Nation of New York made public the result of a straw vote on the presidency taken among its subscribers, consisting of 3,482 votes, of which 1,557 were cast for President Wilson, 980 for Justice Hughes, 376 for Theodore Roosevelt, 355 for Elihu Root, 60 for W. H. Taft, and 154 divided among many other Republicans. The Nation probably does not have a large circulation among the men of the street but undoubtedly they are a representative lot of citizens. It shows the Democrats solidly behind Pres. Wilson but a majority of the voters against him although badly divided between various Republicans. It also shows there is no real strength to any favorite son movement and a very strong lead for Justice Hughes.

While we thoroughly believe in the principles expressed by Mr. Roosevelt we feel that among the Republicans of the country Justice Hughes is easily the choice. The people have full confidence in him although he is stopped by his position from expressing his views upon political questions. We feel confident that the Republican will be Hughes or Roosevelt and we think it would be much wiser to make it Hughes.

Do Not Be Deceived.

The German chancellor, Bethmann Hollweg, in an address before the Reichstag last week said:—

"The latest offspring of the calumniating campaign directed against us is a report that we, after the end of this war, shall rush against the American continent and that we shall attempt to conquer Canada."

"This is the silliest of all the imputations invented against us. Equally silly are the reports that we contemplate the acquisition of any territory on American soil, as in Brazil, or in any American country whatsoever."

"We fight for our existence and for our future. For Germany and not for space in a foreign country are Germany's sons bleeding and dying on the battlefield."

These remarks by the representative of a nation of truth and honor would be very reassuring, but coming from Germany they are no more reliable than her promises to respect the rights of neutral citizens at sea.

In face of the knowledge of the civilized world that Germany deliberately started the present war after the most complete preparation ever known the chancellor in the same speech said:

"And what is our intention? The sense and aim of this war is for the creation of a Germany so firmly united, so strongly protected, that no one ever will feel the temptation to annihilate us, that every one in the world will concede to us the right of free exercise of our peaceful endeavors. This Germany, and not the destruction of other races, is what we wish. Our aim is the lasting rescue of the European continent, which is now shaken to its very foundations."

Such a misleading statement as this shows the unreliability of the German government in announcing its policy. If the close of this war leaves Germany without colonial possessions it will surely feel the necessity of acquiring territory on American soil and if it feels that necessity it will undertake to supply it just the same as it now violates every precept of neutrality and humanity behind the veil of necessity. The American people should not be deceived by these words of the German chancellor but prepare themselves to meet the logical conditions that will follow the European war.

Work On Preparedness.

The Senate by a narrow vote of 36 to 34 voted last week to retain the federal volunteer plan in its bill to increase the army of the nation, defeating the national guard interests who had fought vigorously to have it eliminated from the bill. This is not a complete carrying out of Mr. Garrison's continental army plan but is a long step towards it. The organiza-



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tion of a federal volunteer force under this section is left to the discretion of the president and the maximum force he can organize under it would be about 261,000 men. They cannot be called out for more than thirty days' service in a year without the consent of Congress. While this is a step in advance the matter must go before a conference committee and may not get through the House.

The House committee has reported favorably the government armor plate factory bill and it is predicted the Democrats of the House will pass it. This will completely stop any development of the navy for many years to come and will so limit the capacity of production of war vessels it will be absolutely impossible to manufacture enough ships to carry this country through any crisis.

A bill increasing the coast defenses has been introduced in the House but it is not known what its fate will be. It is simply before Congress as a proposition to be considered and possibly rejected.

So on the whole the last week has shown no real progress in preparedness but has shown one real block to naval preparedness. Meanwhile little progress has been made in the capture of Villa in Mexico or even the effective disintegration of his forces. Carranza is showing himself more and more obstructive to the efforts of the United States army in Mexico and the necessity of more soldiers in that country becomes increasingly evident. The German government continues the destruction of merchant vessels without warning or affording any escape for the passengers aboard. We still believe, as we expressed ourselves last week, that Congress should authorize the calling of 100,000 men for army, navy and coast defense service and equip them in the most speedy and efficient manner. We do not urge this as a move that will provoke war but one that will, if anything can, prevent war, one that will prevent a tremendous sacrifice of life in case war should come.

The Lieutenant-Governorship.

Roger W. Hulburd has followed the example of John E. Weeks and thrown his hat into the ring in the contest for the lieutenant-governorship of Vermont. It was the expectation he would do so that restrained us from making any comment on the situation when Mr. Weeks made his announcement. It is evident Vermont is to see at least one real political contest in the coming campaign that will be settled by the primaries. We welcome the contest because we know that each one of the contestants is an honorable man and neither will stoop to any dishonorable methods in promoting his campaign. Each man has many

friends and the contest will be a spirited one but Vermont need not expect any of the Fletcher, Mead or McCullough methods in its conduct.

Mr. Weeks will be sixty-two years old this summer and Mr. Hulburd will be sixty. So there is little choice in their ages. Mr. Weeks has been quite liberally recognized in a political way and has made good in every position he has held. Mr. Hulburd has received but little at the hands of the state and there is a general feeling he is entitled to further recognition and honor. His ability has long been recognized, but he has been obliged to remain in the background on account of the political desires of Sen. Carroll S. Page from his town. He has been faithful to Sen. Page's interests in this way and many who have been cognizant of his service to the senator are glad now to see him ask for proper recognition.

It cannot be stated at this time that he is sure of a victory because Mr. Weeks has strength. His recent service in the state senate and as speaker of the house has given him a very wide acquaintance in the state and the friends he has made there naturally will be glad to see him promoted. But the friends of Mr. Hulburd believe that he is one of the able Vermonters who has been in eclipse for a long term of years and his recognition at this time would be a piece of political justice. So we expect to see a real contest that the people must settle at the primary booth.

St. Johnsbury is to be congratulated on the securing of an armory for the use of Company D, Vermont National Guard. It is a necessary public building for the village and certainly neces-

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sary for the local militia company. Company D has maintained its organization and a very creditable degree of activity for several years back, under most discouraging conditions. The average person little realizes the real sacrifices the members have made to keep the ranks filled and to train themselves for military service, if it is necessary. The construction of an up-to-date and permanent home for "the boys" will encourage and entice them and St. Johnsbury may be able to win still higher honors in the state militia. God speed the new armory.

The interception of a letter from Dr. Paul Rohrbach of Germany to Prof. A. H. Appelmann of the University of Vermont by the English authorities shows that institution has an American with a very active hyphenate for the Germans. Prof. Appelmann should be promptly notified that his services are no longer needed at that institution. Our state university should not and cannot afford to have anyone connected with it that is trying to promote the interests of Germany at the expense of American interests.

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR

Roger W. Hulburd of Hyde Park Announces His Candidacy.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

The art of soliciting official position for one's self is a fine one and I have never acquired it. I wish, however, to announce through your columns that I shall be a candidate for lieutenant-governor at our September primaries. In making this announcement I am not moved to set forth in detail my political creed.

I believe, however, in Vermont, am proud of her past and confident as to her future. I believe in the Republican party, am proud of its record, and believe that it has a future that will be even greater and grander than its past. I believe in the gospel of business, that labor should have its rights

and capital an opportunity, and that we should so legislate that we leave unhampered every honest industry and enterprise. The man of force makes room for himself and room for others. I believe in leaving undone the things that ought not to be done—not every change is an improvement.

If elected to the office sought, I shall come to it with no "entangling alliances." I shall recognize no master but my State, nor shall I be embarrassed by a gnawing hunger for further political preferment. My ambition will be to keep within the prescribed duties of the office and be an acceptable lieutenant-governor.

ROGER W. HULBURD.

SUTTON

(H. A. Blake, Correspondent.) H. W. Switzer has moved to the village at his wife's mother's residence, and has engaged to work for W. B. Melcher, road commissioner, with heavy horses on the road machine. Sugar makers have had a good run of the past week and were quite busy making sugar.

C. B. Joy has taken the large sugar place on the E. M. Fifield farm and with help is busy making sugar. L. W. Gordon has returned to his place here at the village for the coming season. Mrs. Della Gray, who came here from Waterbury with her father's remains, visited relatives and former acquaintances in town for a few days.

Gerald Holtham from Plymouth, N. H., visited his grandfather, James Holtham, recently.

Norman Petrie is working for Scott Kelley, and Napoleon Corran for Bert Green through sugaring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stevens and daughter visited Mrs. Stevens' parents at Westmore the past week. Mrs. Ivan Burnell and daughter from New Hampshire are visiting her mother, Mrs. R. H. Moore.

Merritt Nichols is working for E. E. Grant through sugaring. Mrs. John McLane and daughter from Sherbrooke, P. Q., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Stevens.

Miss Bertha Craig and Mr. Hersey from St. Johnsbury were at Miss Craig's home here with Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Craig, over Sunday. Miss Hattie Twombly from St.

Johnsbury is visiting her brother and family B. W. Twombly.

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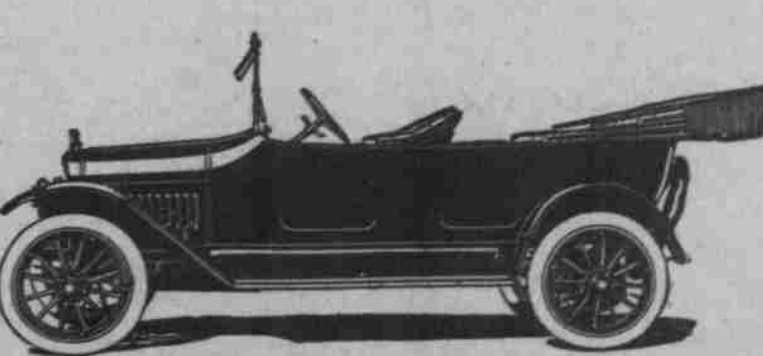
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